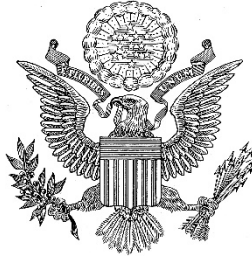


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**RE: UNITED STATES v. STEPHEN TAUBERT  
CASE NO.: 5:19-CR-0021**

Dear Chief Judge Suddaby:

United States Probation Officer Janna Kulakowski and I met with Stephen Taubert this morning at the Oneida County Jail. Ms. Kulakowski interviewed Mr. Taubert for his Presentence Investigation Report. After observing their interactions and speaking with Mr. Taubert myself, I believe that Mr. Taubert is competent to proceed with sentencing. Ms. Kulakowski voiced a similar opinion. Mr. Taubert assured both of us that he would resume taking his medication. Based on today's interactions, it does not appear that any competency proceedings are necessary.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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